

This record is a partial extract of the original cable. The full text of the original cable is not available.

C O N F I D E N T I A L PARIS 002601

SIPDIS

DEPT FOR L/LEI DENISE MANNING; NP/RA EYTHAN SONTAG; USDOJ
FOR WAYNE RABBE

E.O. 12958: DECL: 04/15/2015

TAGS: [KNNP](#) [MNUC](#) [PARM](#) [PREL](#) [KTIA](#) [PHSA](#) [EWWT](#) [FR](#)

SUBJECT: FRANCE SUPPORTS DRAFT SHIP BOARDING AMENDMENT TO
THE SUA CONVENTION

REF: A) STATE 55182 B) PARIS 285

Classified By: Political Minister-Counselor Josiah Rosenblatt, reason 1
.4 b/d

(C) On April 14, we shared ref A request for French support for the draft amendment to the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation (SUA) with Veronique Vouland, Deputy Director for Disarmament Issues in the MFA. Vouland told us April 15 that France shares our goals and will support us in ensuring that Article 8bis is approved by the Legal Committee as is. Vouland expressed appreciation for U.S. efforts and reminded us that France had been partially responsible for raising the need for such an article.

LEACH